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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Reiner BINDIG et al.
Application No. : 10/075,558
Filing Date: : February 13, 2002
For: : PIEZOCERAMIC MULTILAYER ACTUATOR WITH A
TRANSITION REGION BETWEEN THE ACTIVE
REGION AND THE INACTIVE HEAD AND FOOT
REGIONS

June 20, 2002

Commissioner of Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examiner of this application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-12 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims 13-25.

- 13. (New) A piezoceramic multilayer actuator comprising an active region, said active region further comprising inner electrodes led out alternately at a surface of said